GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
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TRAINING TO MUNICIPAL CHAIRMEN AND COUNCILLORS.
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government proposed to extend training to Municipal Chairmen and Municipal Councillors inorder to prepare them for thier role;

(b): if so, the details thereof alongwith the assistance provided proposed to be provided for the purpose;

(c): the details of institutes/organisations recognised by the Government which organise such training programmes;

(d): whether any State Governments have requested such help in this regard; and

(e): if so, the steps taken to inject a degree of professionalism in the elected officials of the Municipalities?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION

(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)to(c): For imparting training to functionaries of Municipalities, Ministry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation is providing grant-in-aid to Regional Centres for Urban and Environmental Studies located at Hyderabad,Lucknow and Mumbai, Centre for Urban Studies, IIPA, New Delhi and also to National Institute of Urban Affairs, New Delhi. These institutes organise short term orientation and training programmes on various management issues relating to urban administration for Municipal Chairpersons and Councillors. During the year 2000-2001, grants-in-aid of Rs.3.29 crore is earmarked to be released to these institutions for conducting training programmes and other activities for the benefit of various functionaries of municipal bodies.

(d)&(e): then training institutes also conduct training programmes for municipal employees as per request/demand of State Governments. The objective of the training programmes is to induct professionalism and management capabilities among elected municipal executives. This being an ongoing exercise, efforts in this direction are continuously being made by these institutions by inducting modern/innovative training facilities.